

Senate Transportation Package

A comprehensive package of reforms and funding options

1. Accountability

- √ Performance audits (SSB 5748 – in House Transportation)
- √ Reform the transportation commission and interaction with legislature by strengthening the state transportation planning process (PSSB 5987 – in House Transportation)
- √ Have legislators directly involved in project planning process (ESB 5245 – in House Transportation)

2. Efficiency

- √ Contracting out, prevailing wage reforms and transportation efficiencies (SSB 5248 – in House Rules)
- √ Agency reorganization (PSSB 5527 – Senate Rules)
- √ Permit efficiency streamlining (SB 5279 – in House Transportation)
- √ Ferry terminal alternative contracting (SSB 5520 – in House Transportation)
- √ Maintaining Passenger Ferry Service (ESSB 5850 – in House Transportation)
- √ Exercising sound business practices to enhance revenues for WA State Ferries (PSSB 5974 – in House Transportation)

3. Regional Options

- √ Implementing the Regional Transportation Investment District (RTID) for King/Snohomish/Pierce counties
 - √ RTID Bonding (SB 5769 – in House Transportation)
 - √ Local gas tax (PSSB 5247 – in House Transportation)
- √ Provide local regions opportunities for local control (Transportation Benefit Districts, PSSB 5585 – Senate Rules)

4. Project Funding Package

- Develop a project specific package
- Balance urban/rural priorities
- Address congestion and economic priorities
- Provide both highway and flexible funding